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MR ANDREW CARNEGIE AND  
KING GEORGE.

Mr Andrew Carnegie evidently approves  
of King George. When he landed at  
Plymouth the other day he told an inter-  
viewer that he had great hopes of the new  
Sovereign. He continued: "I am a  
strong believer that the successor to the  
Tartan will prove himself worthy of the  
lofty office which he now holds." In  
addition to that I believe that he is of find  
in his wife, a helpmeet who will prove  
herself worthy of the highest of high  
positions. King George, I am certain, will  
be true to the traditions of his high office.  
My own experience is that as Prince of  
Wales King George took a deep interest in  
all public affairs. He was the president of  
the King's Hospital Fund, and I have  
found him remarkably well informed, par-  
ticularly of the political situation, and of  
the reforms that have been made and are  
in the making. Indeed, if I may say  
so, he struck me as a young man of good  
knowledge. His remarks upon public  
affairs were always of much interest. He  
at one time especially interested one public  
man, Mr John Burns, whom he pointed to  
as evidence of what a man could become in  
this country. That was an example of a  
man rising from the ranks. King George  
spoke of Mr Burns just as if he was one of  
his private friends.

"The opening of the Stepney Library  
was the last occasion when I met King  
George. He invited Mr Carnegie and  
myself to inspect the building. Then after  
that was over we had tea together at a  
small table. There were six of us present  
altogether, including the Mayor of Stepney  
and the Bishop of Stepney, who is now, of  
course, the Archbishop of York. This gave  
me an excellent opportunity of having a  
talk with King George. At that time I  
was particularly struck with the interest  
he took in the masses of the people. He  
spoke so soundly, always expressing his  
hopes for their rise in the scale of comfort.  
Yes, that was King George, a worthy  
successor of a great father. On that same  
occasion he invited two or three institu-  
tions, the names of which I cannot recall  
at this moment, which were doing a great  
work. Her Majesty Queen Mary is noted  
not only for the extent of her work, but  
her extreme wisdom in management. The  
people of this country may congratulate  
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T. CHEE,  
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Intimations.

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TRAVELLERS' TALES FROM  
DARK MONGOLIA.

By Archibald R. Colquhoun.

Reviewing Mr John Hedley's Tramps in  
Dark Mongolia, Mr Archibald R. Colquhoun  
writes in the Morning Leader:—

Mr Hedley is a missionary who has spent  
ten years or more in China, speaks the  
language fluently, and is remarkably free  
from the prejudices and conventions which,  
while they may make a good missionary,  
are apt to spoil any narrative of travel. It  
is a pity that he has chosen a title for his  
unpretentious yet interesting book which  
is at once trite and inaccurate. It is true  
that Mongolia, both geographically and  
from the Christian point of view, one of  
the least illuminated parts of Asia, but, as  
a matter of fact, the province of Chihli, to  
which (with two brief excursions) Mr  
Hedley's "Tramps" were confined, is, for  
the most part, dotted over with mission  
stations of half a dozen denominations.

The most interesting part of Mr Hedley's  
book, for the general reader, is that in  
which he recounts his experiences of  
missionary travel to some of the large and  
populous towns just outside the wall. One  
feels, however, that he has caught a little  
of the spirit of the Peking officials, to whom  
outside the wall—the Great Wall, which is to  
them the "boundary of civilisation"—means  
heavenly exile, when he dubs this busy,  
thriving, thickly populated "land Dark  
Mongolia." On the last journey described  
he did, however, strike unexplored terri-  
tory; and as his map is hardly clear  
enough for the general reader it may be  
useful to explain just where this region is.

THE SPANARD OF THE EAST.

The Mongolian plateau, that vast stretch  
of unexplored territory, almost swallowed  
up by the Gobi desert, is flanked on the  
east by the Kiangnan, and thence a shoulder  
through at the southern end, and sends  
down its sandy wastes to the borders of  
fertile Manchuria and populous Chihli.  
The spurs of the Kiangnan make valleys, and  
streams, which have risen in the plateau,  
burst their way through, but this little  
Eastern Gobi, like its great mother, is a  
terra incognita, and for the same reason.  
There are neither natural features nor per-  
manent human settlements to mark on a  
map; and travellers, crossing it (as the  
writer knows from experience) can remem-  
ber nothing but the endless sandhills, the  
cold and cutting winds, or the blinding  
heat.

On the southern fringe of this lesser  
desert and between it and the Gulf of  
Liaotung (where the railway runs), is a  
region, which, though fairly accessible, is  
still marked on maps as unexplored; and  
Mr Hedley set out, with the aid of an  
Indian surveyor, to fill in some of the gaps.  
Unfortunately, the rough route map, which  
is all he gives us, being devoid of physical  
features, prevents one from forming any  
idea of the actual scientific value of the  
work accomplished. Moreover, in this re-  
gion, the Chinese conquest, both economic  
and political, has pushed the Mongole back,  
and, as Mr Hedley and his companions  
spoke only Chinese, they were not able to  
get into very close touch with the original  
owners of the country, who are unable to  
cope with the more virile and industrious  
Chinese. The Mongol is the Spaniard of  
the East. In answer to a rebuke for his  
laziness a man replies, "If I don't work I  
won't get tired!"

THE DAILY ROUND.

It is to Mr Hedley's great missionary  
predecessor, James Gilmour (to whom he  
pays generous tribute), that we owe by far  
the most graphic pictures of Mongol life  
and character. He knew the people in  
their habit as they lived; worked, suffered,  
and died in the effort to Christianise the  
race which is living under the baleful cloud  
of Mongol domination. Yet he never depicted  
a single Mongol convert. It is no discredit  
to Mr Hedley to say that, as he and his  
companions spoke only Chinese, they got  
mainly the Chinese view of the Mongol;  
nor is the dweller in towns as interesting  
as the wild rider of the desert, living the  
same life as his forbears of the palmy days  
of Mongol greatness.

With these criticisms one must pass to  
praise, first, of Mr Hedley's genuine gift for  
description—a gift which triumphs even  
over an inevitable chattiness, and a habit  
of always choosing the obvious, rather  
than the expressive, word. By sheer  
simplicity and naivete of style he gives us  
excellent pictures of life and custom. He  
does not attempt scenery, for which many  
readers will be thankful. Secondly, one is  
bound to commend his breadth of mind,  
which finds something to admire in the  
calm atmosphere of a Confucian temple and  
the benign beauty of a Buddhist "Temple."  
No one who is personally acquainted with  
the Chinese can fail to appreciate Mr  
Hedley's appreciation of these subtle and  
fascinating people.

THE INKSPER ABROAD.

He has no illusions.  
Unfortunately, the ignorant missionary  
in China has, perhaps, to endure far trials  
more numbing than the apparent hearty  
agreement of his hearers with all he says,  
and then the drifting away of the same  
people, with no more abiding interest in  
what he has said than they would have in  
the language of a travelling doctor.

At the same time he has a genuine  
affection and admiration for many of his  
Chinese friends, and spares us the thread-  
bare jokes about Chinese "topsy turvy-  
dom," because he understands the under-  
lying reason of so many customs not found  
in Western civilisation. Incidentally, he  
has discovered the latest wonder of the  
world, a Chinese inn (called the Inn of  
Original Justice), where the inn-keeper re-  
fused to take payment for a night's lodging  
on the ground that the guests were not  
travelling to make money, but to spend it,  
and he did not want to add to their ex-  
penses!

A similar experience once befell a friend  
of mine in the Italian Tyrol, but then he

was mistaken for an Austrian archduke  
travelling incognito, whose bed and dinner  
he unwittingly usurped, and left next  
morning; the archduke, arriving next day,  
being received as an impostor! Mr Hedley  
did not, so far as we know, get any  
disillusionments as to the baseness of the  
Inn of Original Justice, and he gives us  
an unsolicited but well deserved  
testimonial.

Other incidents of travel reveal the  
uniformity of human nature all the world  
over. No one can live in China without  
gradually realising that these people have  
forgotten much that we are just learning—  
including patriotism. But it is amusing  
to find our old friends the thimble  
and the nimble pea being skilfully  
manipulated at a fair. Then there is a  
description of a big Chinese store, standing  
lonely in the midst of a sparsely-populated  
country, where the visitors are invited to  
lunch, and may spend their day looking at  
tempting things, without any importunity.  
Even Oxford-st., it seems, has borrowed  
from the Chinese, and Broadway, in New  
York city, finds a rival in length in the  
main street of Peking, which is seven miles  
long—and is the only street in the city  
being fringed on either side by mountains!

Finally, Mr Hedley saw little of the re-  
forms of which China proper is now so full;  
but he certainly found ancient examination  
halls turned into schools, and elsewhere  
schools equipped with everything but  
teachers. He found soldiers prepared to do  
everything but fight, and commissions  
occupied in drawing up voluminous reports,  
while brigades plied their trade unchecked.  
I do not think Mr Hedley got quite to the  
bottom of this big business, which is not  
as simple as it looks—the brigand's  
victim not infrequently may be found  
hobnobbing with his oppressor at odd times  
—but the reason of this lay in his associa-  
tion with the Chinese element in the  
Mongolian borderland. There are many  
entertaining things in this book, and a few  
good photographs; and no one could lay it  
down without feeling he had met a  
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CIVILIZATION WHILE YOU WAIT.

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NATIVES ON BRITISH SHIPS.

Distressed Colonial and  
Indian Subjects.

A report has been made to the Colonial  
Office by the committee appointed to con-  
sider the question of distressed Colonial  
and Indian subjects. The committee re-  
commends:—

That masters of vessels British or foreign,  
when engaging Europeans and East Indians  
on European articles at ports in India  
should be required to give an undertaking  
to repatriate them, if the voyage terminates  
elsewhere than in British India.

That a similar undertaking should also  
be required to be given when native seamen  
belonging to Crown Colonies and  
Protectorates are signed on at ports of  
those Colonies and Protectorates.

The committee also considers that seamen  
from the Eastern Colonies should be given  
certificates to prove their origin, and that  
native seamen signing on in the West  
Indies should be given special certificates  
showing the place to which they belong, so  
that, should cessation arise, repatriation to  
the proper Colony may be effected without  
difficulty.

Another suggestion is that notices should  
be exhibited in the shipping offices of the  
ports of the dominions warning seamen  
that, if they sign on for a voyage terminat-  
ing in the United Kingdom, they may  
experience difficulty in finding a ship for  
the return voyage.

For the benefit of native domestic ser-  
vants and those attached to exhibitions the  
proposal is put forward that agreements for  
repatriation should be made compulsory  
before servants can be engaged in India,  
the Crown Colonies, and Protectorates for  
service outside their limits, and that it  
should be made unlawful for natives to  
leave for the purpose of spectacular per-  
formances unless provision is made for  
repatriating them. The committee recom-  
mends that a special home should be  
established in London to deal with dis-  
tressed West Indians, and that the  
Strangers' Home for Asiatics should under-  
take the supervision of it.

In addition to advising the giving of  
Government grants for the assistance of  
certain cases, the committee suggest that  
the Governments of the Dominions,  
Colonies, and Protectorates be invited to  
send contributions to some of the charitable  
institutions in the United Kingdom, and  
thereby enable them to afford help in ex-  
ceptional cases.

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A policeman with a boat 3,347 miles long through a wilderness that yielded only to canoes and over ice fields passable only with dog teams and sledges—that in effect was Inspector E. A. Pelletier, of the Royal North-West Mounted Police, who, with Corporal M. A. Joyce and Constables R. H. Walker and P. R. Conway spent nine months of 1908 and 1909 in traversing the top of the continent to reaffirm Canadian jurisdiction over that area and report on a feasible route from Hudson Bay to the Mackenzie River.

While the Royal North-West Mounted Police is everywhere accepted as probably the last word in police efficiency, the popular conception in the United States of the individual unit of this corps is a trimly uniformed "Tommy Atkins" sort of mounted soldier, giving attention to the suppression of bad men and "gun-fighters," and protecting the settlers from violence. All that the police do, but more.

They are thrown out far ahead of the northward advancing line of settlement. When civilization catches up with their outposts they move on. Not many years ago the southern portion of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan were distant lands even for the police. Since Captain Bernier, a Canadian explorer, discovered coal in Melville Island the police are pushing a patrol in that direction. If the coal is workable and settlement or prospecting that Arctic neighborhood is forthcoming, the police with a well-ordered system of justice will be on the ground first. Only once were the police ever outstripped by settlement, and that was when gold was discovered in the Yukon. Inspector Pelletier's duty on his lonely patrol reveals hardships that have no place in pictures of smart squads and trim barracks with which the public are familiar. Daniel Boone, rather than "Tommy Atkins," is represented by the far-hung outposts of the police, although perhaps it would be more appropriate to compare the inspector and his men with the early voyagers. The patrol began at Fort Saskatchewan and proceeded northward, partly by steamer and partly by canoe, to Great Slave Lake. Skirting the shore of this great body of water in canoes the travellers turned their course almost east toward Hudson Bay and made their way by river and lake, with many portages, through almost unbroken wilderness afflicted with the insect pests for which the north woods are notorious. The party was due the last day of August on the shore of Hudson Bay. It arrived there on Sept. 1, with the expectation of being able to lay aside the paddle and use caloused shoulders from the portage. But the sailboat, which had been provided, was wrecked, and the police were obliged to delay at Fullerton until winter snows permitted a start with dog teams for the south. The trip from Fullerton which is on the sixth parallel of latitude, to Churchill, 450 miles south, was attended by many hardships and difficulties, the patrol being reduced at the end to eating raw deer meat. From Churchill to Lake Winnipeg the journey was easier.

In his detailed report of the trip Inspector Pelletier gives numerous details about the northern country. They were by no means the first white men who had visited it. The amount of game observed by the patrol was wonderful. Describing the journey from Churchill Lake to the Height of Land, Inspector Pelletier writes: "Aided by the sail, we were making good time, but were delayed by large numbers of deer crossing at various points. We must have seen between 20,000 and 30,000. The hills on both shores were covered with them, and it is doubtful if there were any places where the lake was frozen a half to a mile wide solid columns of deer four or five abreast were swimming across and so closely that we did not like to venture through, for fear of getting into some mix-up."

The inspector continues: "The worst feature of a long journey like this (we were forty-three days) in a country where no fuel is to be procured is the absolute impossibility of drying clothes, bedding, etc. The moisture from the body accumulates, and there are no means to dry clothing, to get rid of it in any way, and every day one is harder to put on in the morning and the bed harder to get into at night, until both bedding and clothing becomes as stiff as a board. The task is a disagreeable procedure getting into one's bed at night, and the same thing in the morning getting into one's clothing. Sleeping with one's clothing on only makes matters worse."

One sometimes straps up and rendered perilous the navigation of the little canoe, each of which carried two men. Night after night the rain made sleep almost impossible and forbade fire for the preparation of cooked food. Thrilling work came when the voyagers met the rapid in the swift rivers connecting the lakes. —*Mad and Empire.*

### PRINCE EDWARD OF WALES.

The London correspondent of the *Asian* writes:—

Prince Edward of Wales, who is at present enjoying a short holiday from the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, is to complete his studies there at the end of the year, and will at once commence to read for his University career. When he quits Dartmouth his connection with the Navy will come to an end, though he is to have a cruise on a battleship whenever a convenient opportunity presents itself. His ultimate career will, of course, be the Army, and he will enter the Service direct, without first passing through Sandhurst. Prince Edward is in many ways the strongest of the children of the Prince of Wales, and forms something of a contrast to Prince Albert in this respect. It had been intended that the young Prince should accompany his parents to South Africa, but it was found that this would cause too great an interruption in his studies. It is therefore intended that his visit to any colony shall now be deferred until he and his brother, Prince Albert go on their tour round the Empire. This tour is not expected to take place for at least two years to come, when the precedent of the tour of the present Prince of Wales and the late Duke of Clarence will be closely followed.

### SERIOUS BLOCK IN THE FROZEN MEAT TRADE.

According to a Sydney despatch, dated April 20, all the frozen meat stores in Sydney are absolutely full to the doors with frozen meat, and shippers are at their wits end to know what to do with their produce. In some cases they have refused to buy at Homebush, knowing there is no place to store. Every boat for the United Kingdom is leaving with every available foot of space occupied, and shippers have found it impossible to book space in vessels leaving as late as July. This is due to the January rain having furnished such good grass that stock kept fat instead of going off as usual at that time of the year. There was a block in 1906, but nothing compared to this one. It was not until May 24 of that year that the pressure on the refrigerated space was felt, but now the stores are crammed to the utmost a month before that date. Vessels which used partially to load at Brisbane and come to Sydney to fill up now complete their loading in the Northern State, and there is no space left for New South Wales when boats arrive in Sydney. It is estimated that there are 3,600,000 rabbits alone in the store, besides beef, mutton, lamb, and veal.

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## MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

Meeting.

6 p.m.—Water Polo Association Meeting at V.R.C.

## General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, June 16—

11.30 a.m.—Lecture by His Lordship the Bishop in Park Church.

SATURDAY, June 18—

4 p.m.—New Seamen's Institute Opening Ceremony.

WEDNESDAY, June 22—

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of the Licensing Board.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 1910

RECRUITING IN DAYS OF OLD.

The old constitutional force of England

is not wanting in historians nowadays

who can adequately bring to the know-

ledge of a rather unheeding country the

many obligations under which it is

under to one of the most patriotic bodies

of men ever placed under arms. The

latest chronicle of the doings of the

Militia is Colonel Sir George J. Hay,

C.B., C.M.G., who in a recent paper

prepared for the delegation of the

Militia Club gave a succinct description

of the doings of the force from the time

of Chomwilla's New Model, which was

grouped by counties, down to the wars

of Napoleon, as well as an idea of the

methods we often employed to recruit the

regular army. The institution, he said,

of a standing branch of the Army in

1661, raised chiefly out of the disbanded

Militia Army of the Commonwealth, and

by voluntary enlistment of corps and

individuals, made that an eventful year,

though the voluntary principle for

rendering over-sea service did not mat-

terially affect the composition of such

armies until many years afterwards.

FORTESCUE, in his well-known history of

the British Army, says there was no real

volunteering until about 1806. State

Papers, Domestic, 1664, record that the

country being engaged in foreign war

and requiring aid, a competent number

of men were to be levied out of the

divers counties voluntarily or by press,

selecting those most suitable for the

war. This half century was a remark-

able one for the Regular Army. Regi-

ments were disbanded by King James

II., and by the will of Parliament its

establishment strength was varied

almost to disappearance at times. For-

eign mercenaries were required for

armies on occasions of war. Men dis-

charged were re-called by means of

treble payments, and the Militia drawn

upon, whilst kidnapping, if not officially

approved, was commonly practised.

The enlistment shilling passed mys-

teriously when men were drunk, tem-

perance not being then associated with

recruiting and the profession of arms.

Coming to the war-stained eighteenth

century, extended to include the whole

Napoleonic period, we find a prolific

crop of extraordinarily abnormal

methods for raising men. The prin-

ciple under which our over-sea

armies were to be maintained was

insufficient for the greed of war.

According to all historical and available

official records, it would appear that

the regular Militia and its branches

played a great part throughout the

century in enabling the country to

successfully prosecute its foreign wars.

There were fifty-five Militia Acts of

Parliament in twelve years—and

one year can claim seventeen of them—

more or less concerned in keeping

effective the regular units, and by

corps complete the strength of our

armies, but foreign mercenaries in

their units also materially helped our

operations. In Flanders, 1703, and on

some other occasions, the aliens exceeded

the number of British troops. There

were about 60,000 in England's pay

in 1812, and a large force at Waterloo.

Parliaments likewise embarked in

numerous remarkable schemes and

devices. Acts were passed to pardon

capital offenders, release debtors, press

unemployed men, and clear all goals.

The Vagrants' Act was to be strictly

enforced to obtain at small cost and

under compulsion all who could bear

arms. All pensioners were even as-

sembled on one occasion, strangely

without regard to extreme old age or

want of limbs. The pilgrimage in

carriage, wheelbarrow, and on donkeys

has been graphically described. In

1779 an Impressment Act required

all thieves, pickpockets, and vagabonds

about London to be apprehended and

delivered as soldiers, but the men

secured were as the historian GOSSE

remarks, "those who were too lame

to run away or too poor to bribe the

parish officers." On a great emergency,

these later officials had been appointed

recruiters for the Regular Army under

lavish remuneration, and with power to

impress, but subject to heavy penalties

for neglect to find the numbers required.

Although Malmesbury is said to

have officially objected to promiscuous

drafting, and described the troops

sent to him as being the dregs of

society, drinkers, robbers, and pro-

fane swimmers—he very highly com-

plimented his troops after the battles

of Blenheim and Ramillies. It should

be mentioned that in 1799 a subal-

tern problem also existed. Five thou-

sand men in seven regiments landed

in Holland to reinforce ARCEVOY's army,

with only seventy-one lieutenants and

ensigns among them. Besides the

agreements with men with foreign na-

tions, there were contracts of another

character. FORTESCUE mentions one for 4000

men from Ireland at twenty guineas per

head, and another for 500 boys and

1,500 men at fifteen to twenty-four

guineas each; whilst in connection with

company promotion as a gamble, he

quotes a London newspaper advertise-

ment offering two thousand guineas

for one hundred men in six

weeks, also an official prospectus for

making the formation of new regiments

a source of profit by the sale of com-

missions in all ranks. The striking

feature of this century will, however,

always be the introduction of conscrip-

tion applied to the Militia, by which

the fighting branch of England's Army

became indirectly of conscript character,

or largely so. The origin of this method

is interesting. There had generally

been, under the principle of universal

liability, some form of selection for the

formation of armies, enforced by the

natural law of supply and demand, and

Sir George Hay tabulates these various

forms as follows:—King ARCEVOY

demanded that every nine men should

find a tenth at their own charge. King

HENRY III. required one for forty days

from every two ploughmen at the

expense of the village. King EDWARD

I. had a method called "choose and

try" and selection all through the

middle ages was most arbitrary. In the

case of popular insurrection, rebellion,

or apprehension of foreign invasion in

early times, all sound persons were

commanded to join the King's Army.

The ballot was an ancient institution,

and employed by the early Greeks and

Romans, who used respectively marked

potsherds and tickets. In England's

case the feudal principle of payments

to avoid the ballot was generally

allowed, as were also substitutes.

But substitution was made a costly

luxury. Although some men of sport-

ing character and athletic build sold

themselves by weight, crimps controlled

the market, and crimping became a

profitable business, openly engaged in

by all classes of the community, official

and otherwise. Counties even stole

men from each other, but the clever and

discreet means employed to entrap

men were too numerous to be dealt

with. The price in some districts was

over £60 for the regular Militia, and

£100 for the Militia Army of Reserve,

but this latter force was secretly in-

tended for drafting, which together

with fear of service in the West Indies

and petty tyrannies practised to force

volunteering, caused it to disappear,

after a change of name, doubtless much

mourned by the crimps. But

it must not be supposed that patriotism

was altogether dead in the country.

Large towns and individuals presented

new regiments, at one period over

15,000 men. There were also Feasible

Regiments and Volunteers in their

hundreds. The Militia sent a complete

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ing in NAPOLEON's army, that ended in

the final battle of Toulouse; also, as

volunteers, Militia corps, and men

fought in Egypt, outside their obliga-

tion for European service. What the

Militia did in garrisoning England and

Ireland during the Crimean war is well

known. Truly the old constitutional

force has served its country well. But

what a contrast this story presents with

conditions to-day. King GEORGE's army

represents a finer type of soldier than

was ever before enlisted. Long may

it be so.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

To-day is the Chinese Dragon boat

festival.

Several minor shocks of earthquake

have recently been recorded in Manila.

No lives were lost when the submarine

sank in Vladivostok harbour on May 30.

The French Mail of the 9th May

was delivered in London on the 10th June.

"Beauty and the Beast" is to be

performed at the Club Lusitano this

evening.

A fine of \$32.50 was imposed on a

native for being in possession of opium at

the Magistrate's today.

Chinese journalists in Tokyo have

formed an association which will meet

twice a month in future.

The Prince Regent proposes to refer

the question of the speedy opening of a

Parliament in China to the deliberation

of the Senate.

A fire broke out in Shanghai Street,

Yamutai, about 2 a.m. this morning.

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